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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of manipulating a stream of video data in a point of deployment module device, comprising:
 - at the point of deployment (POD) module device co-located with and installed within a POD module interface of a retail host television receiver device:
 - receiving a stream of video data from the host television receiver device, the stream of video data being received by said host television receiver device from a multimedia broadcaster and being encoded according to a first coding, and wherein the stream of video data includes encrypted data;
 - decrypting the encrypted data at the point of deployment module;
 - at the POD module, transcoding the stream of video data received from the host television receiver device to convert the stream of video data to a second coding, producing a transcoded data stream;
 - encrypting the transcoded data stream at the point of deployment module; and
 - sending the transcoded data stream back to the host television receiver device from the POD module.
- 2.-4. (Cancelled)
5. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the second coding comprises MPEG compliant coding.
6. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the point of deployment module comprises a point of deployment module compliant with an OpenCable™ standard format.

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7. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the second coding comprises MPEG 2 compliant coding, and wherein the first coding comprises one of MPEG 4 compliant coding, MPEG 7 compliant coding, Wavelet compression coding, and AVC coding.

8.-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) A point of deployment module device for manipulation of a stream of data, comprising:

means forming a part of the point of deployment (POD) module device co-located with and installed within a POD module interface of a host retail television receiver device for receiving a stream of video data from the host television receiver device, the stream of video data being received by said host television receiver device from a multimedia broadcaster and being encoded according to a first coding and including encrypted data;

a decrypter forming a part of the POD module that decrypts the encrypted data;

a transcoder forming a part of the point of deployment module device that transcodes the stream of video data received from the host television receiver device to convert the stream of video data to a second coding, producing a transcoded data stream;

an encrypter forming a part of the POD module that encrypts the transcoded data stream;
and

means forming a part of the point of deployment module device for sending the encrypted transcoded data stream back to the host television receiver device.

13.-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) The point of deployment module device according to claim 12, wherein the second coding comprises MPEG compliant coding.

17. (Previously Presented) The point of deployment module device according to claim 12, wherein the CableCARD comprises a point of deployment module compliant with an OpenCable™ standard format.

18. (Previously Presented) The point of deployment module device according to claim 12, wherein the second coding comprises MPEG 2 compliant coding, and wherein the first coding comprises one of MPEG 4 compliant coding, MPEG 7 compliant coding, Wavelet compression coding, and AVC coding.

19. (Currently Amended) A point of deployment module device for manipulation of a stream of data, comprising:

means forming a part of the point of deployment module (POD) device co-located with and installed within a POD module interface of a retail host television receiver device for receiving a stream of video data, comprising encrypted data, from the host television receiver device, the stream of video data being received by said host television receiver device from a multimedia broadcaster and being encoded according to a first coding;

a decrypter forming a part of the point of deployment module device that decrypts the encrypted data;

a transcoder forming a part of the point of deployment module device that transcodes the stream of video data received from the host television receiver device to convert the stream of video data to a second coding, producing a transcoded data stream;

an encrypter forming a part of the point of deployment module device that encrypts the transcoded data stream; and

means forming a part of the point of deployment module device for sending the encrypted transcoded data stream back to the host television receiver device.

20. (Original) The method according to claim 19, wherein the second coding comprises MPEG compliant coding.

21. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 19, wherein the point of deployment module device comprises a point of deployment module compliant with an OpenCable™ standard format.

22. (Original) The method according to claim 19, wherein the second coding comprises MPEG 2 compliant coding, and wherein the first coding comprises one of MPEG 4 compliant coding, MPEG 7 compliant coding, Wavelet compression coding, and AVC coding.